

## Abstract of the Disclosure

An information collecting system includes at least one terminal including an information input device, an information display unit and a communication circuit; and an information processing center that is connected to the terminal via a network, and includes an application server. The application server includes a receiving section for receiving input information transmitted from the terminal to the information processing center via the network; an information processing section for deciding as to the information received, and for constructing a picture to be displayed on the terminal in response to a decision result; and a transmitting section for transmitting the picture generated by the information processing section to the terminal. It can solve problems of a conventional system in that to start a terminal in the conventional system, a prescribed operating procedure is required, and hence it is difficult for a user unfamiliar to the operation to use the terminal, and in that once a power trouble takes place in the terminal in the conventional system, the processing result up to the trouble is lost because the terminal carries out its processing using its own software.